

ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD - Revenue Sources

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General Fund This is tax money generated by the State from general tax funds. Arizona State Parks Board receives no funding this fiscal year from the General Fund. In 2008, ASP received \$7.67 million to operate the 32 parks and many programs such as the State Trails system, State Off-highway Vehicle Program, State Historic Preservation Office and many more. In 2009, ASP received \$3.5 million. **Senate Bill 1001 - no funds in account to sweep.**

Enhancement Fund These are monies derived from fees that customers pay at the gate of the parks. The State Parks are able to generate about \$8.2 million from these fees, which is used to keep the State Parks system operating. Money is earned monthly so cash flow is sporadic and may depend on many factors, such as weather issues. The Operating Budget for the State Parks Department is about \$19 million (40% from gate fees, 60% from conservation funds, 0% from General Fund). **Senate Bill 1001 FUND TRANSFER: \$671,300 SWEEP: \$1,630,800**

State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) Arizona's SLIF program was established in 1960 by the Arizona State Legislature (A.R.S. §5-382) to assist state and local units of government to fund projects on waters where boats are permitted. Revenues are generated from the following sources: A percentage of the state motor vehicle fuel taxes attributed to watercraft, A percentage of the motorized watercraft license taxes paid at the time of boat registration, Interest income on fund. Monies are generated monthly so cash flow is sporadic. **Senate Bill 1001 FUNDING TRANSFER: \$528,500 FUNDING SWEEP: \$1,387,300**

Heritage Fund The Arizona State Parks Board Heritage Fund was established in November 1990 by voter initiative, provides up to \$10 million annually to Arizona State Parks from Arizona Lottery proceeds (A.R.S. §41-503) There are three competitive grant programs offered annually from the Heritage Fund dollars to provide opportunities for the public to enjoy parks and outdoor recreation, and to help preserve natural and cultural resources. Seventeen percent of the State Parks Heritage Fund revenues are available annually (up to \$1.7 million) through the Historic Preservation (HP) Grant Program. Thirty-five percent of the revenues (up to \$3.5 million) are available through the Local, Regional and State Parks (LRSP) Grant Program, and five percent of the revenues (up to \$500,000) goes to the Trails Heritage Fund, of which 95% is available through the competitive grant program for Arizona's cities and towns.

Historic Preservation Heritage Grant Fund Program (HP) Annually, Arizona State Parks receives up to seventeen percent of the Arizona State Parks Heritage Fund revenues (up to \$1.7 million) to provide funding assistance for historic preservation projects. The Arizona State Parks Development Section and State Historic Preservation Office also receive portions of these funds annually. **Local, Regional and State Parks Heritage Fund (LRSP)** Thirty-five percent of Heritage Fund revenues available annually (up to \$3.5 million) are allocated to the Local, Regional, and State Parks Heritage Fund, which assist municipalities, counties, and tribes to create outdoor recreation and open space opportunities. Grant funded projects include playgrounds, ball fields, picnic areas, and others. **Trails Heritage Fund** Five percent of the Heritage Fund revenues available annually (up to \$500,000) are allocated for grants to support acquisition and trail improvements for Arizona's non-motorized trail system. Arizona State Parks receives five percent of this amount to support trail recreation within the State Parks system; the remainder is awarded as competitive grants through the Trails Heritage Fund grant program. **Senate Bill 1001 FUND TRANSFER: \$1,784,700 FUNDING SWEEP: \$2,124,700**

Off-Highway Vehicle Fund OHV Recreation Fund, established in 1991, provides a legislatively set percentage (0.55%) of the total license taxes on motor vehicle fuel from the Highway User Revenue Fund for OHV management. More recently, SB1167 passed which requires a user indicia (OHV Decal) for certain off-highway vehicles. New monies from the OHV Decal contribute to the OHV Recreation Fund. The Arizona Game and Fish Department uses 35% of the yearly accumulation for information, education, and law enforcement activities. The Arizona State Parks Board uses 60% to meet the needs of land managers and recreational OHV users.

Growing Smarter State Trust Land Acquisition Grant Program The Land

Conservation Fund: The passage of Proposition 303 on November 3, 1998 established an annual \$20 million appropriation by the Arizona State Legislature from the General Fund to the Land Conservation Fund. This annual appropriation began in FY2001 and continues through FY 2011. With the passage of Senate Bill 1071 in 2003, State Parks will transfer \$2 million annually to the Livestock and Crop Conservation Fund administered by the Department of Agriculture. As a result, an \$18 million annual appropriation is available for the Growing Smarter grant program. Up to \$500,000 of earned interest is available for administration of the Growing Smarter Program. All additional interest is now available for Arizona State Parks operating (approx. \$1.8 million)

FUNDING SWEEP: Protected from sweeps because of the Voter Protection Act Passed in Arizona. Proposition 105 passed in November, 1998
Fund balance: \$100,000,000

Publication and Souvenir Revolving Fund Arizona State Parks operates gift shops in the parks that generate funds to purchase inventory and enhance the gift shop areas. **Senate Bill 1001**
FUNDING TRANSFER: \$37,500 SWEEP: \$94,000

Partnership Fund Arizona State Parks partners with Non-Federal agencies who pay into the fund to do programs and projects such as the nationally acclaimed Site Steward Program. That program utilizes 1,000 volunteers to monitor Archaeological sites in Arizona to protect sites from vandalism. **Senate Bill 1001 Funding Sweep \$156,900**

Arizona State Parks Fund This fund was established to accept donations to be used by the State Parks Board for individual park projects and programs. Example: \$245,000 from the Asta Timms Forrest Trust or \$5 donated from visitors. **Senate Bill 1001 FUNDING SWEEP \$213,900**

Reservation Surcharge This fund has been created from the reservations made at Kartchner Caverns State Park. Monies were to be used for a campground reservation system.

Law Enforcement and Boating Safety Fund (LEBSF) In 1981, the Arizona State Legislature established the LEBSF to provide grants to County Boards of Supervisors for the purposes of supporting boating law enforcement and safety activities. Eligible participants are limited to Boards of Supervisors of Arizona counties. The Statute (A.R.S. §5-383) specifies that LEBSF funds be granted for boating law enforcement, personnel, and equipment. LEBSF revenues are derived from a portion of watercraft license taxes paid by boaters at the time boats are registered.

FUNDING SWEEP: No Sweep in Senate Bill 1001

FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS - These are not available to sweep.

Recreational Trails Program (motorized and non-motorized) Federal Highways: The 109th Congress enacted the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) It authorizes the RTP federal aid program and codifies it in Federal statutes under section 206 of title 23, US Code) (Federal Funds, not State Funds)

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) The Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (Public Law 88-578) became effective January 1, 1965. The Act provides financial assistance to states, their political subdivisions, and Indian tribal governments for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities. The Land and Water Conservation Fund was established by Congress through Public Law 88-578, as amended and receives its revenue primarily from the Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas leasing.

Historic Preservation Fund The Historic Preservation Fund is a federal grant from the National Park Service. Funds are appropriated by Congress and apportioned to the States. Monies must be matched with State funds, and are used for compliance with cultural resource laws; survey, planning and protection of historic and pre-historic sites; assistance in preservation planning and ordinance development; preservation awareness programs; historic property tax incentive program.